



The President's Letter



Membership is the heart and soul of any organization. My goal for my two years as President, was to plan more opportunities for fellowship among our members. Last year we held a Salad Luncheon for our members that joined the Woman's Club from July 2020 to July 2022. It was such a success that many of these new members signed up to be on committees for the next year and became very active. This year we had our SECOND annual Salad Luncheon for new members that joined after July 2022. Jennifer Brearley, our Membership Chairman, and our creative Sandra Bradley planned games and created a questionnaire asking new members to share their interests and talents. Elaine Staller, our

Counselor of Round Tables, prepared a handout for our new members with information on our 11 Round Tables. She invited each chairman to tell us about what made their round table so special. Many of the new members were so excited that they signed up, paid dues, and joined one or more round tables. My thanks to many of our members who made delicious salads and yummy desserts for our new members. It was a day of fun, frolic, fellowship, and new friendships.

I keep thinking about those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer. June has been very busy, but I have decided to try to incorporate more of these lazy, hazy, crazy days. My husband asked me when the last time was I had read a book, and told him I did not remember. I used to read profusely, so I am reading a book, A YEAR IN MARRAKESH, which is one of my favorite cities. It is hard, but I am trying not to



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be so attached to my cell phone which I lose at least once daily. This summer, I am going to try to treasure the moment. I am trying to take time to call friends I have not seen in many months. I want to catch up on what they have been doing. I am trying to wake up early occasionally and take a little walk and hear the birds chirp and the neighborhood dogs bark. I love seeing many perennial plants blooming in our neighborhood. I enjoyed hearing David Rios, a very popular KONO DJ for many years, at our 2023 Hat Luncheon. He ended each of his daily programs with an Eleanor Roosevelt quote "Tomorrow is a mystery. Today is a gift. That's why we call it 'The Present.'" Let's all try to treasure our summer moments.



TEAM: TOGETHER EVERYONE ACCOMPLISHES MORE

Vice President's Message

Hello Ladies, my article is different this month because I want you to "Find YOUR SPARK...YOUR CHISPA".

Barely the day started and...it's already six in the evening.
Barely arrived on Monday and it's already Friday.
...and the month is already over.
...and the year is almost over.
...and already 40, 50, or 60 years of our lives have passed.
...and we realize that we lost our parents, friends.
And we realize, it's too late to go back.
So...Let's try, despite everything, to enjoy the remaining time...
Let's keep looking for activities that we like...
Let's put some color in our grey...
Let's smile at the little things in life that put balm in our hearts.
And despite everything, we must continue to enjoy with serenity this time we have left.
Let's try to eliminate the afters...
I'm doing it after...
I'll say it after...
I'll think about it after...
We leave everything for later like "after" is ours.
Because what we don't understand is that...
Afterwards, the coffee gets cold...
Afterwards, priorities change...
Afterwards, the charm is broken...
Afterwards, health passes...
Afterwards, the kids grow up...
Afterwards, parents get old...
Afterwards, promises are forgotten...
Afterwards, the day becomes the night...
Afterwards, life ends...
And then, it's often too late...
So...let's leave nothing for later...
Because still waiting to see you later, we can lose the best moments,
the best experiences,
best friends,
the best family...
The day is today...The moment is now...

Ladies, we are no longer at the age where we can afford to postpone what brings us happiness. Yes, it's hot outside but our Woodward House is air conditioned, and you're missed when not in attendance. Come join us for our Summer Luncheons:

- * July Summer Luncheon - July 19 - Motivational Speaker, Singer and Songwriter, Patsy Torres
- * August Summer Luncheon - August 16 - USA TODAY Bestselling author Kimberly Raye

Best, Sandra

Care and Concern

Submitted by: Tawana Timberlake, Corresponding Secretary

- ❖ Verna Quaranto, a new member of the Woman's Club recently had surgery and will be undergoing treatment for a serious issue in the next few months. Notes of support may be sent to: Verna Quaranto, 1359 Twilight Ridge, San Antonio, TX 78258 or rollercade@aol.com
- ❖ Member Dorothy Akers' beloved sister Sylvia Laskowski passed on June 2nd. Message of support for Dorothy may be sent to: Dorothy Akers, 303 E. Sunset Rd., San Antonio, TX 78209

Scholarship Presentation



Every year the WCSA continues the good work of Eleanor Brackenridge by giving ten, one-thousand-dollar scholarships to the students of the Women's Empowerment Center at San Antonio College. The money is given to the WC by our members who have passed and have specified that their money go to the Empowerment Center at SAC.

A ceremony was held at McAllister Auditorium where Jane Stone presented the scholarships to the young ladies. There were lots of tears and hugs. Several of the recipients told Jane that they were not expecting to attend school next semester, but because of the scholarship, they now could attend. Sandra Whittaker, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, and Jane plan on inviting the scholars and the administrators to the Woodward House for a brunch at Christmas time.

Upcoming Summer Luncheons

Sandra Ojeda Medina, Vice-president

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

Watch your email for additional details!

- ❖ Wednesday – July 19 – Motivational Speaker with a Song, Patsy Torres
- ❖ Wednesday – August 16 – Writer of Romance Novels, Kimberly Raye

June Meeting

During the June Meeting we honored those members that have passed during the year. Some family and friends were able to join us as we celebrated their lives and their contributions to the Club.

*Rose Hoelscher
*Margaret Cluck
*Judy Willingham

*Karen Hanson
*Elizabeth Moad



New Member Luncheon

A new members luncheon was held on June 15th. Women who had joined over this past year were celebrated and received an introduction to the various activities and Round Tables that we encourage them to participate in. There were games, questionnaires, and good food.



Top Row: Roxana Vargas, Loretty Shivers, Faye Davenport, Diana Marbach; Bottom Row: Diana Leach, Becky Martinez, Joon Auci*, Rose Corely, * membership application submitted



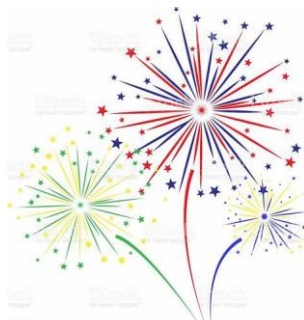
Top Row: Rose Vela, Rosalinda Mancha, Debra Brodigan, Flora Tallman; Bottom Row: Myra Keiser, Savita Rai, Melody Hays, Eva Anderson



And all those good leftovers did not go to waste! After the luncheon, Jeanne Koplan took the remaining cookies, croissants, and a large bowl of her chicken and rice salad to the SAFD#6 on Russell St. by the Woman's Club. They were VERY appreciative.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Diana Marbach	July 1
Hilda Irizarry	July 2
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 Mowery	July 17
Patricia Villarreal	July 20
Isabel Bernal	July 22
Linda Purcell	July 24
Becky Reina	July 26
Eva Mickler	July 27
Adrienne Becnel	July 28
Sandra Salinas	July 30
Belinda Pena-Bosquez	July 31
Claire Pronovost	July 31
Norma Reyes	July 31

Round Table Corner

Bridge Round Table



The Bridge Round Table welcomed three new members in May: Rita Foudray, Diana Marbach and Verna Quaranto. All Woman's Club members interested in a monthly gathering for bridge, lunch and friendship may contact the Round Table chairman, Stephanie Hobbs, for more information. The group plays every fourth Friday of the month except November & December.

In June, the Round Table served as hostesses for luncheon and announced The Assistance League as June's Community Care and Concern at the Club meeting.

The results of May Bridge are: 1st: Stephanie Hobbs ~ 2nd: Kim Rees ~ ...and Nancy Cooke "got her dollar back!"

Karin Fee & Stephanie Hobbs provided the decorations, snacks, and lunch for the May gathering. The clever and patriotic decorations honored Memorial Day and the luncheon included a wonderful chicken tortilla soup. Karin shared the recipe she used.

Chicken Tortilla Soup (from RecipeBox)

1 medium onion, chopped	3 cloves garlic, minced
1 Tbsp olive oil	2 tsp chili powder
1 tsp dried oregano	1 (28 oz) can crushed tomatoes
1 10.5 oz) can chicken broth	1 & 1/4 cup of water
1 cup whole Kernel corn (drained, from can)	1 cup white hominy, drained
1 (4 oz) can chopped green chili peppers	1 (15 oz) can black beans, rinsed/drained
1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro AND ,,,	
2 boneless chicken breasts cooked and cut to bite size	

Before serving top with grated Monterey jack cheese & sliced avocado & crushed tortilla chips.

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Woman's Club of San Antonio Fiesta Medal Contest

Theme: CELEBRATING OUR THREE FIESTA EVENTS (CORONATION, FLOWER SHOW, HAT CONTEST AND LUNCHEON)

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 28, 2023 to 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: _____

July 2023 House Calendar

SUN 25	MON 26	TUE 27	WED 28	THU 29	FRI 30	SAT Jul 1
Tina Off		● 10am San A	● 10am Comb			
2	3	4	5 ● 11am WCSA	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 ● 10:30am Sa	15
16	17	18	19 Summer Lunch	20	21	22
23	24	25 ● 10am San A	26 ● 10am Comb	27	28	29
30	31	Aug 1	2 ● 11am WCSA	3	4	5 Lennie Guerrer

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Membership Dues Notice and Request for Changes in Yearbook Information

The Woman's Club of San Antonio Membership Dues for 2023-2024 are due and payable
on July 1, 2023

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, 2023

\$165.00 (\$169.95 CC) If paid after August 1, 2023 and before September 1, 2023

\$180.00 (\$185.40 CC) If paid after September 1, 2023 and before October 1, 2023

Dues not paid by October 1, 2023 will result in a loss of membership in the Club.

Dues paid **BEFORE** August 1, 2023 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 2023-2024 Yearbook:

Name: _____ Husband: _____

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 "2023-2024 DUES."