

*From the President's Desk*

The Christmas Faire returns to the Mansion this month! Many helping hands are already working to make this a spectacular event. The theme is "Tis the Season to Sparkle," and sparkle we shall! The Faire is scheduled for November 30, December 1 & 2. Two lunches will be served each day. Be sure to check out the new evening session to be held on Monday, Nov. 29 from 5 to 8 PM the night before called "Santa's Sneak Peek." The \$25 fee to attend that evening event will include champagne and hors d'oeuvres. In addition, there will be a Santa and Nutcracker dancers in attendance for photo opportunities.

We will continue the tradition with the first lunch seating at 11:15 AM, and the second lunch option served at 1:00 PM. Shopping with vendors, baked goods, and gingerbread houses will all be available and more. We will have sign-up sheets in the Club for you to volunteer to help in many ways and places. Start making plans with your friends to attend for the shopping, the luncheon, and stepping into this "most wonderful time of the year."

Last month's October General Meeting was so historical. Mr. Bagby, the great-grandson of David Woodward, came with his family. The ballroom originally was where the family bedrooms were located. Mr. Bagby said his mother was born in the bedroom where our grand piano stands on the stage. The Bagby family was so grateful to our members for the wonderful care we take of the mansion. Take note of the setting we created in the foyer using the original piece of furniture from the Woodward home and the photos given to us by the Bagby family. Two days later I received this lovely note from Mr. Bagby:

*"Jane—The first thing I said to Candy yesterday when we were leaving the Woodward Mansion was that in the dictionary next to the definition for "lovely Southern hostess" would be a picture of you. The most impressive thing for me of the whole day was how gracious and a wonderful hostess you are. Thank you very much for having us at your meeting. I can't tell you how much it means to our family for you to take such wonderful care of that grand old mansion. Can you imagine the splendor of that home in the early 1900's? Thank you again for your warm Southern hospitality. Your friendship means a lot to me.*

*Your friend,  
Tom Bagby*



I want to thank all our members for giving your time, services, and donations to a home that we hope to serve many generations to come. Hope to see many of you at the Club dressed to "sparkle" this month.

*Jane Stone*  
President

Our October guests: Mrs. Candy Bagby, Rebecca Bagby Luna, and Mr. Tom Bagby (guest speaker) sit on the heirloom settee surrounded by Woodward family pictures.

More photos and news from the October meeting and luncheon are included on page 5 of this newsletter.

# Meetings & Luncheons

Virginia Van Cleave, Vice-president

For Wednesday General Meetings, social time begins at 10:30 and the meeting begins at 11:00.  
Luncheon reservations are due by the prior Monday with \$30 payment.  
**RSVP to the Woman's Club office @ 210-732-4811.**

## November 3<sup>rd</sup> General Meeting and Luncheon

Presentations & Honoring of Past Presidents, Patrons, & New Life Members  
Member vote on proposed changes to the Club By-laws

### Program: Update on the Alamo & Alamo Plaza

Guest Speaker: Rebecca Viagran, Vice-chair, Alamo Management Commission.

Hostesses: Books & Letters Round Table

Community Care & Concern: Cotton Elementary School

#### Menu:

Salad: Waldorf Salad

Main Course: Roasted Turkey Breast;  
Bacon, Apple, Date Dressing; Brussel  
Sprouts; and, Golden Mashed Potatoes

Dessert: Pecan Pie

Beverages: Coffee, Iced Tea, Iced Water or Wine



## *Christmas Faire at the Mansion*

*'Tis the Season to Sparkle!*

Cathy Carroll, Chairman

**November 29 ~ Santa's Preview Party – A Monday Evening Event – 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

First choice shopping! Enjoy holiday hors-d'oeuvres and champagne with a jolly visit from Santa Claus and the Nutcracker Dancers. Photo ops with Santa are welcome.

Event admission: \$25 ~ For advance tickets call 210-732-4811 or visit Ticketleap.com.

**November 30, December 1, & December 2 ~ Shop 'til You Drop** (beginning Tuesday)

**Free Admission for shopping 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

### **Christmas Faire Luncheons ~ Holiday Door Prizes**

First Seating: 11:15 a.m. each day

Second Seating: 1:00 p.m. each day

Luncheon tickets are \$50 and may be purchased by calling 210-732-4811 or visit Ticketleap.com.

Tickets are available through November 26<sup>th</sup>.



## Meetings & Luncheons (continued)

### December 8<sup>th</sup> General Meeting and Luncheon (Second Wednesday of the Month)

#### A Musical Holiday Program with Patsy Torres & Apollo Saenz

Hostesses: Soiree Round Table

Community Care & Concern: Woodward House Restoration Fund



### But First!

**You can mingle while you help get ready for the jingle.**

**November 4<sup>th</sup> (Thursday)** The team led by Kathy Littlefield & Angela Pfeiffer will be assembling the Club's traditional *gingerbread houses* for the Christmas Faire. At least 125 house kits will be assembled at the Club. Work begins at 10:00 a.m. to complete before 4:00 p.m. Volunteers are welcome. Lunch is provided. Let Kathy know you are planning to come - mzkitty506@gmail.com or text to 210-413-6018.

Advance orders for the Gingerbread House Kits will be taken at the Woman's Club and your order can be picked up after the 4th of November. Cost is \$20.00. (The houses were a sell out last year!)



### Then:

#### November 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, & 18<sup>th</sup> It's Time to Decorate the Woodward Mansion for Christmas!

Remember Santa and the big tree from Christmas 2020 (pictured on the left)? Each year the decorations are different but always festive! Will there be stockings on the mantle in the library? How will the tables be decorated for all the luncheons at the house for the Christmas Faire?

If you would like to join the fun and help the decorating committee, contact Janice McGraw, Chairman. Her email is:

[djcbmcgraw@aol.com](mailto:djcbmcgraw@aol.com)

See more ways that you can help on page 7 of this newsletter.





## *Care and Concern*

*As reported from Susan Moreland-Goza*

Member, Belinda Pena-Bosquez's husband passed away.

Member, Maria Ramirez's husband passed away



## **Golden Book**

*Submitted by: Patte Pfeiffer, Golden Book Chairman*

In Memory of Member Debbie Hamer  
By The Woman's Club

In Memory of Wally Bosquez, Husband of Member Belinda Pena-Bosquez  
By Kathy Tarkington

In Memory of Long Time Member Jerry Hall  
By Kathy Tarkington

In Memory of Carl Douglas, Husband of Member Marjorie Douglas  
By Kathy Tarkington

In Memory of Oluf Sundeen, Husband of Past President Rosemary Sundeen  
By Kathy Tarkington

In Honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Vice-President Virginia Van Cleave and Husband Bill  
By Kathy Tarkington

In Honor of our October Speaker, Mr. Tom Bagby, Great-Grandson of David J. Woodward  
By The Woman's Club

In Honor of Susan Moreland-Goza, Corresponding Secretary, For Keeping Us Promptly Informed of Members  
That Are Ill and Bereaved  
By Virginia and Bill Van Cleave

In Honor of Patsy Pelton For the Beautiful and Colorful 2021-2022 Yearbooks  
By Virginia and Bill Van Cleave

In Honor of Patte Pfeiffer For Her Diligence in Presenting Contributions to Our Golden Book  
By Virginia and Bill Van Cleave

In Memory of Eddie Morrison, Partner of Member Elizabeth Moad  
By Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold, and Tessa Christiansen

In Memory of Wally Bosquez, Husband of Member Belinda Pena-Bosquez  
By Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold, and Tessa Christiansen

For a Speedy Recovery for Member Robin Templeton  
By Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold, and Tessa Christiansen



## A Busy October Meeting & Luncheon

For the first general meeting of the 2021-2022 year, the house was packed for Tom Bagby's Mansion memories program and presentation of a settee that the Woodward family had in the Mansion one hundred years ago.



L-R: WCSA president Jane Stone, V-P Virginia Van Cleave, guest speaker Tom Bagby, his daughter Rebecca Luna.



This beautiful piece of furniture and several Woodward family photos were brought to the Woman's Club as a gift of the Bagby family in honor of their patriarch, David J. Woodward.

Members also enjoyed the return of our legendary Boutique in the French formal room and a showcase of Round Table activities and opportunities in the library. The luncheon overflowed into the foyer with three long tables set up to handle the many attendees. The tables in the foyer and two dining rooms were decorated by luncheon hosts, your Board of Directors, with the talents of Janice McGraw. The luncheon was delicious. Luncheon salads have been such a hit House Supervisor, Tina Zimmerman, was asked to share her broccoli salad recipe. It was sent to you by email after the luncheon. Are we going to need to ask about the "Autumn Chopped Salad" with creamy poppyseed dressing too? That was our October salad and it was yummy.



## Round Tables Begin 2021-2022 Meetings

Johanna Christiansen, Counselor to the Round Tables

The ~~Soirée~~ Round Table held the October meeting at Milano's Italian Restaurant on Stone Oak. Ferne Burney and Pat Porter won 1st and 2nd in our trivia game.

The ~~Bridge~~ Round Table met for cards & luncheon Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October. Hostesses were Karin Fee & Kim Rees.

We are happy to report results:

1<sup>st</sup> ~ Stephanie Hobbs

2<sup>nd</sup> ~ Karin Fee

Low ~ Sara Fitzgerald



The American Home & Garden Round Table held their October meeting at the Woodward Mansion.



One of the long-standing traditions of the AH&G Round Table is the Dia De Los Muertos program each October given by Rose Reyna-Sanchez. With her birthday on Oct. 30, Rose has always been celebrating and remembering her deceased loved ones throughout the years.

Member Rose Reyna-Sanchez



The history of this sculpture of La Catrina was shared as part of Rose's presentation. Marsha Metz was with WCSA member Harriett Ellerbee when Harriett bought the artwork to support women artisans from Third World countries. When Harriett passed away, Marsha was able to purchase La Catrina and lovingly presented it to Rose. Having La Catrina present with us was a sweet memory of Harriett, who worked so tirelessly for the Club.

#### The Ingenue Round Table 2022 Fiesta Teen Royalty

At the October general meeting our 2022 Fiesta royalty was announced by Molly Allen, Election Chairman.

Congratulations to our outstanding young women:

Teen Queen Avery Walker

Teen Princess Gabby Geppert

Teen Grand Duchess Sarah Stone



WCSA President Jane Stone announced that the location for the 2022 Coronation will be the McAllister Auditorium at San Antonio College. The Fiesta Teen Queen Coronation and Reception will be held February 27, 2022.

The Noontide Round Table held their October meeting at the Woodward Mansion. Some spirited costumes were observed!

Front row l-r: Kathy Tarkington, Patricia Broyles, Orbilia Hayes

Middle row l-r Margaret Cluck, Betty Lewandowski, Kathy Littlefield

Back row l-r: Jane Stone, Jean French, Maria Cyr, Virginia Van Cleave



## This is the last newsletter before 2021 Christmas Faire.

### Bake Shoppe

Marsha Metz, Chairman

We are asking all members of the Club who are bakers to help us with the always-popular Bake Shoppe during the Christmas Faire. **Items should be delivered to the Club library by 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.** We need savory baked goods, in addition to the usual sweets. For the baked goods offerings, we are asking you to provide the following:

1. Cookies, cakes, breads, Danish, donuts, pastries, pies and any other items that are prepared by baking the item in the oven. Other items are canned jam or jelly, or a dried herb or herb mix.
2. Items should be already portioned, wrapped, or bagged.
3. Bake Shoppe will price the items.
4. The items should be labeled with your name, The Woman's Club of San Antonio, 1717 San Pedro, San Antonio, Texas 78212.
5. The label should also state: "This food is made in a home kitchen and is not inspected by the Department of State Health Services or Health Dept.
6. The label must state the name of the product.
7. Your label should also include any ingredients that may be allergens such as egg, nuts, soy, peanuts, wheat, or milk.
8. A way to be in compliance with Cottage Food Law regulations could be to include your recipe on the package along with the rest of the labeling information.

Bake Shoppe Chairman **Marsha Metz** will provide labels that will be ready for you to fill out if you are not able to produce your own labels. Questions? Contact Marsha at (210) 732-5600 or [mcmetz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mcmetz@sbcglobal.net).

### The San Antonio Woman's Club 2021-2022 Yearbook

AVAILABLE NOW - DELIVERY OPTIONS BELOW

Patsy Pelton, Yearbook Chairman

Have you seen the new 2021-2022 yearbook with the **RED coil???**

- If you have not picked up your copy at the Club, there will be some available at the November 3 General Meeting.

- Be sure to stop by the Yearbook table near the Ballroom (Patsy Pelton will be in the Presidents' Room) and pick your copy up.

- Not coming into the Club anytime soon? Want to have the book ALWAYS with you where you go? Send an email to Patsy at [patsypelton77@gmail.com](mailto:patsypelton77@gmail.com) and request a digital directory!

- We have many new members coming in and we want to present them a directory with their new WCSA name tag.

You can help us save costs to GO DIGITAL.

- Be sure to send in new photos or new data or "oops, we found a mistake" info also to Patsy. Corrections and new member info will **only be emailed**. Any amended Bylaws will also be distributed by email

Be assured that all "new" and "corrected" data will be provided to the next 2022-2024 Yearbook Chairman.

#### THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF SAN ANTONIO

#### 2021-2022 YEARBOOK



*Empowered by our heritage,  
we shape the future.*



## November Birthdays



## Board of Directors Announcements

Congratulations to Elizabeth Neely on being appointed Long Range Planning Committee Chairman.



At the last WCSA Board of Directors meeting it was determined that due to rising costs it was necessary to raise the cost of the monthly luncheons from \$25 to \$30. Please note this change when making your reservations for the November luncheon.

The State Hospital is one of the agencies that the Woman's Club of San Antonio supports. The hospital is in need of help from the community.

They need gently used and new sweaters, coats, and sweat shirts for their patients. Larger sizes are preferred. Please bring the items you can donate to the club and place them in the plastic tubs located in the basement. Thank you for your generosity and concern.

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