



July 2025 Newsletter of the Woman's Club of San Antonio Volume 126, Issue 7

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello you precious members of The Woman's Club of San Antonio...yes, Summer is bringing the heat...it's Hot, Hot, Hot, but we're Texans and know how to deal with it...air conditioning; air conditional inside your home, air conditioning to your car and air conditioning into our mansion. You can make it, just don't think hot.

I want to first thank you gracious ladies for your support in my first year as WC President. The job has been much more than I expected, but I persevered. I've tried to do my best but sometimes that's not enough. One of the reasons for the suggestion box is so that you can comfortably tell me what's on your mind, you can sign or not sign your name. Text is a good way to reach me, I'm more immediate with my responses. I ask for your prayers as we go into a new year together.

June was somewhat slow at the mansion. Most of our Round Tables are no longer meeting during our summer months and our Summer Luncheon was poorly attended. While most of us are no longer investing money in different arenas, I did gain some information for my granddaughter, Lillie Medina, WC Princess 2019 and 2020, who starts her adulthood career this month. Our speaker was enjoyable to see and hear, she had a wonderful presence. I hope that some of you gained some meaningful financial information. Please ladies, mark down the dates given for our various events so that you can avoid arranging a luncheon date, with WC members on our designated event dates and time; just a reminder that we hold our membership as "something worthy of unflinching loyalty". Our Vice President arranges our general meeting programs and our Summer Luncheons, if you have suggestions, please let her know, in this way we can announce our speaker for each month in our yearbook and avoid TBD. I do want to apologize for changing our May speaker, we had that agency the past two years and I felt like we needed something different. My apology to anyone I may have offended, the SA State Hospital, Elaine Staller, who suggested this agency to me when I was VP and Ruth Gonzales who then filled in as our June TBD speaker.

Summer Luncheons, there is a flat \$40.00 charge. Beginning in October, our first general meeting for 2025 – 2026, there will be a change in our meeting/luncheon charge of \$30.00. After some discussion, our WC Board of Directors voted on changing the general meeting/luncheon charge of \$30.00. If you attend only the general meeting, it will cost you \$10.00, if you stay for lunch, then the cost is \$30.00. At check-in, a raffle ticket will be given to each member who stays for the meeting and lunch. You must place your raffle ticket on the table in front of you, so our servers know to serve you. Please be reminded that we have to-go containers should you need one, just let the server know or Tina in advance of the day.

In closing, I want to share words of wisdom I encountered.

Yours in service,

Sandra

“Be present.
Let the day flow with grace.
Expect joy. Be positive.
Serve with compassion.
Speak only kindness.
Impart only love.
Never forget you’re not alone.
See goodness in others.”

CARE AND CONCERN

Submitted by Verna Quaranto, Corresponding Secretary

- ❖ Maria Duran underwent surgery on June 3rd. She sends her appreciation. “I would like to thank all the kind members that sent me messages, prayers and calls during the difficult moments due to my surgery. I truly appreciate the kindness. God Bless! With care, Mari Duran”
- ❖ Past President BJ Duncan's husband Wayne, passed away in his sleep June 11, 2025. Cards or condolences they can be sent to her at 20302 Bulverde Road Apt #234, San Antonio TX 78259

GOLDEN BOOK

Submitted by Sandy Salinas, Golden Book Chair

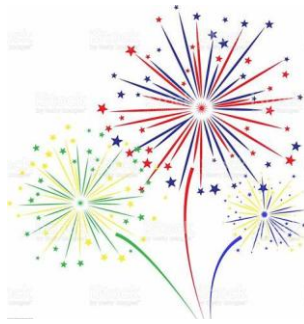
- ❖ A donation towards the refurbishment of Golden Room furniture by the American Home and Garden Round Table
- ❖ A donation towards the refurbishment of Golden Room furniture by the Fine Arts Round Table
- ❖ A donation towards the refurbishment of Golden Room furniture by Linda Oliver
- ❖ In honor of the 40th wedding anniversary of John and Jaquie Rothermel by Kathy Littlefield
- ❖ In honor of Angela Pfeiffer and the Boutique Ladies by Kathy Littlefield



Two pieces of the Gold Room furniture have been reupholstered. The furniture is original to the Woodward House, having been purchased at (or ordered from?) the 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis. We are gratefully accepting donations to help cover the cost of refurbishing the other pieces in the Gold Room.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Diana Marbach	July 1
Maria Cyr	July 3
Margot Rocha	July 3
Kathy Tarkington	July 3
Deborah Long-Shirley	July 7
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
Sonya Hardin	July 19
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

On May 31st, Roxana Vargas, WCSA member was inducted to the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame in the category of Civic Leadership. Roxana, a retired Chief Financial Officer for the Secretary of the Air Force Acquisition Training Office, is a Distinguished Air Force Civilian Service Medal Award Recipient with 31 years in finance, economic analysis, education, industrial operations, and publicity. A "Yellow Rose of Texas", she was recognized for a lifetime of civic, church and community service, promoting education, mentoring and scholarships for women and underprivileged at-risk students. Congratulations Roxana!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are excited to announce that two Ingenues have met the Eligibility Requirements (as shown on page 124 of the 2024-2025 Woman's Club Yearbook) and will serve as our Teen Queen and Teen Princess for Fiesta 2026! Senior Tessa Christiansen will serve as Teen Queen and junior Paulina Rodriguez will serve as Teen Princess. Congratulations to these young ladies who will be great representatives of our club!!



We welcome new member Jennifer Fee to our ranks. Jennifer is the daughter of member Karin Fee and is employed with FEDEX. Welcome Jennifer!

Auction Corner

Donation Drop-Offs

You can drop off your auction donations at the **WC anytime between 10 AM and 3 PM**. Please don't wait until the last minute! We need time to organize and prepare all the items well in advance.

Immediate Volunteer Needs

We're currently looking for help with the following roles:

- **Auction Chair**
- **Auction Co-Chair**
- **Auction Volunteers** to help prepare items
- **Auction Volunteers** for the day of the event

If you're interested in volunteering for any of these crucial roles, please let us know right away!

Amanda Alarcon-Hunter
210-367-7080 (call/text)

RUSTLING LEAVES is published monthly by the Woman's Club of San Antonio.

Editor: Carolyn Snyder

Assistant Editor: Vacant

Members are invited to submit relevant photos of people or events for possible use in the newsletter and/or Facebook to womansclubnewsletter@gmail.com. **Advertising in Rustling Leaves is available** at the following rates: full page - \$100; half page - \$50; and, quarter page - \$25. Your ad 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.

UPCOMING SUMMER LUNCHEONS

Tawana Timberlake, Vice-president

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

THE WOMAN'S CLUB *of* SAN ANTONIO

INVITES YOU TO OUR

JULY LUNCHEON

FEATURING GUEST ARTIST

GIO DIZURITA



Join us for an inspiring afternoon with visionary artist Gio Dizurita, known for her bold blend of acrylics, oils and mixed media. Raised in Mexico and based in San Antonio,

Gio's globally exhibited work explores the interconnectedness of life and creativity.

📅 Date: July 16th

🕒 Time: 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

📍 Location: 1717 San Pedro Avenue

📞 CALL 210.732.4811
TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT!

MENU

\$40 per guest

Green Summer Salad
with Green Goddess
Dressing

Hawaiian Pineapple
Chicken with Rice
Apple Pie

I met this talented artist when she was just coming on the scene in 2017... she had just won the contest to be Flambeau Poster Artist that year, and I was a Judge for the Parade that year. We became fast friends, and I have so enjoyed watching this rocket soar...Here are the major awards she has received since that time:

- 🏆 Visual Artist of the Year
- 🏆 Artist Trail Blazer of the Year
- 🏆 USA Congress Art Judge
- 🏆 Oyster Bake Official Artist
- 🏆 SA Youth Official Artist
- 🏆 Entrepreneur of the Year
- 🏆 Socialite of the Year
- 🏆 Youth Mentor FSY
- 🏆 Best Studio of the City
- 🏆 Best Artist of the City
- 🏆 Flambeau Parade Artist
- 🏆 Best New Brand of the City
- 🏆 SA Airport Official Artist

See you July 16th!

Tawana Timberlake
Vice President

<https://www.dizurita.com/services-6>

<https://www.ticketleap.events/tickets/wcosa/july-summer-luncheon-321752160>

JUNE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Dear Members:

At our June 4 General Meeting Ruth Gonzales, who is the Executive Director of WINGS (Women Involved in Nurturing, Giving, Sharing, Inc.) presented our program. WINGS is one of the charity organizations we support, and it was enlightening to hear from their leader the details of what all they provide women who have no insurance and how they are lifted up at such a sad and challenging time of their life in fighting breast cancer. We are very fortunate that Ruth, who has attended our meetings and events for a long time, joined our ranks this year.

Our first summer lunch kicked off two weeks later on the 18th, with the delightful powerhouse that knows how to engage her audience, Nellie Tijerina. Nellie came to San Antonio as an 18-year-old ready to "conquer it all" .. and she has. Graduating from St Mary's University with a BA degree in accounting and finance, she, her husband and son have owned their financial services business for 31 years. She has a passion for helping others and has a very unique and humorous personality to deliver valuable tidbits to enhance your knowledge of financial scenarios.

One of her favorite quotes: is one that resonates with her life's attitude....

"It's not fancy hair, gold jewelry, or fine clothes that should make you beautiful. No, your beauty should come from inside you - the beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit."

Do you know the origins of that inspiration?

(1 Peter 3:3-4)

Tawana Timberlake

Vice President



At our June 4 meeting, a memorial of our dear members who have passed away was held during our general meeting. Sadly, we lost 7 Members:

Elaine Tucker, October 20, 1951 -June 5, 2024
Member: 2013

Nancy Cooke, April 11, 1938 - October 19, 2024
Member: 2008

Julie Ann Jordan June 9, 2024 - June 8, 2024
Member: 2007

Patricia Elise Williams, November 21, 1937 - June 6, 2024
Life Member: 1995

Patricia "Kim" Rees, December 19, 1937. - June 21, 2024
Member: 2013

Muriel England, April 27, 1933 - September 5, 2024
Member: 1991

Myra Keiser, June 25, 1937 - February 21, 2025
Member: 2023



JUNE SUMMER LUNCHEON



**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 2025-2026 are due and payable
on July 1, 2025

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, 2025

\$165.00 (\$169.95 CC) If paid after August 1, 2025 and before September 1, 2025

\$180.00 (\$185.40 CC) If paid after September 1, 2025 and before October 1, 2025

Dues not paid by October 1, 2025 will result in a loss of membership in the Club.

Dues paid **BEFORE** August 1, 2025 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 2025-2026 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 "2025-2026 DUES."

To pay on line: <https://www.ticketleap.events/tickets/wcosa/on-line-membership-dues-25-26>