



THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Happy Fall beautiful ladies, it may not feel like it, but Fall is in the air. Temperatures are starting to drop and days are getting shorter. We are keeping the air conditioning on at the mansion, so no fear of the Summer heat.

First, let's talk about our Fall Luncheon, it was lovely. The San Antonio Country Club is simply beautiful with its recent renovations. As we walked into the ballroom upstairs, through film, we were taken back in time to view various film clips of glamorous movie stars. Looking around the room, the tables were decorated with a sparkly champagne bottle, glass flute, and gold flowers which provided the glitz. It was fun to see many guests wearing gloves to accompany their glitz and glam attire. Stan Wayne provided many tunes to dance to and yes, our guests enjoyed dancing and singing with Stan. Wish you would have been there. I'm very thankful to our members who formed a committee and put this event together in a short time. Committee members were: Ferne Burney, Kathy Littlefield, Helen Jones, Jane Stone, Angela Pfeiffer, Melissa Rogers, RosieBella Gastelum, Arabella Dalton and Robin Steinhauser. If I missed listing your name, please excuse me, I was working off FB email list. At our general meeting on Oct. 1, we will have a few left over auction items for sale. Also, our boutique had many new jewelry pieces so be sure to shop our boutique. We did have a few members who were unable to attend but bought a ticket anyway as a donation, thank you. It's always a grand celebration to open up our new WC year. Our 2026 Fiesta Teen Queen, Tessa Christiansen and our 2026 Fiesta Teen Princess, Paulina Rodriguez were in attendance with their sash and crown, and looked lovely greeting our guests, they'll join us on Oct. 1 at our general meeting, please attend and get to know these lovely young ladies.

At our September WC Board of Directors meeting, we discussed the charge for our general meeting and those members who were still present voted to return to the inclusive flat rate of \$30. However, I need to reach out to other board members to get their vote to be able to rescind the meeting charge we agreed to in July. We heard you, and are now taking action.

Our mansion rental rates have changed and were approved on September 24, 2025 at the WC BOD meeting. Thank you to Masha Metz, Irma Duran and committee for this much needed information. Call Tina for current information on our new rental rates and contract procedures.

Get your calendar out and mark these dates, we need more participation at our general meetings where we hear club business and learn something from our guest speaker. Oh, and the most fun thing, seeing friends and making new friends. Upcoming Events:

- * WCSA General Meetings – Oct. 1, Nov. 5, Dec. 10
- * Oct. 29 – WC BOD Meeting (No BOD meetings in Nov. & Dec.)
- * Round Tables to begin their new year meetings/get-togethers in October. Check our WC Yearbook for RT day and time. At the mansion or off campus the chair of each RT will notify the members of that group as to the location.
- * Oct. 31 – Dia de Los Muertos Ofrenda Luncheon – Reminder: this is a celebration to remember our loved ones who have passed on into God's Kingdom. Pan de Muertos will be served for dessert

* December 2 – 4, “Traditional Christmas at The Mansion” Big fundraiser, come one, come all...invite, invite, invite! As always, our mansion will be decorated to the hilt..

* December 6 – “Breakfast with Santa” for whomever wants to mingle with Christmas jingle. Santa will be available for complimentary pictures and yes, no matter your age, you can sit on Santa’s lap.

Beautiful ladies, come join us on October 1 for our general meeting. We need to see you and you need to see us.

Besos

Best regards, Sandra

“Advice is what we ask for when we already know the answer but wish that we didn’t.” – Erica

The most dangerous phrase in the language is “We’ve always done it this way.” – Rear Admiral Grace Hopper

CARE AND CONCERN

Submitted by: Verna Quaranto, Corresponding Secretary

- ❖ Our Vice President Tawana Timberlake is at home recovering from surgery. Notes can be sent to: Tawana Timberlake, 11302 Cat Springs, Boerne, Texas 78006
- ❖ Member Stephanie Hobbs is at home recovering from shoulder surgery. Well wishes can be sent to: 235 Limestone Creek Rd, San Antonio, TX 78232
- ❖ Member Tommie Jean (TJ) Hageman has died. TJ was a San Antonio native that sang on the radio & then on local TV. She was 90 & about to move to nursing home care. Services will be held at Finch Funeral Chapels in Stockdale, TX on 10/06/205, visitation is from 10:00 - 11:00 AM with the service starting at 11:00 AM Rest in peace lovely lady.

GOLDEN BOOK

Submitted by: Sandy Salinas, Golden Book Chair

- ❖ In memory of member T.J Hageman, mother-in-law of Michele Moad-Hageman, by Brian, Johanna, Sophia, Harold & Tessa Christiansen
- ❖ In honor of Cora Martinez’ birthday by Elizabeth Heely

PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBER



Duridanova Antonina is originally from Bulgaria. She is a writer and belongs to many Internationals clubs. She has three children and was introduced to the Club and recommended for membership by Lea Fagan.

Upcoming Luncheons and Events

Tawana Timberlake, Vice-President

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



TicketLeap: [October General Meeting in San Antonio - Checkout](#)

.Dear Members:

Our fall luncheon, Hollywood Glitz & Glam, at the San Antonio Country Club appeared to be everything I envisioned from the photos and notes I'm getting from everyone as I recover from my hip surgery.



Thank you to everyone who had a part in bringing it together and to those who attended and brought new friends. I understand we may have five new possible members from that event - way to go, Arabella and Rosiebella.

Kathy Littlefield and Melissa Rogers put together a phenomenal silent auction and I understand all of the wine was sold. Of course our Boutique always knocks it out of the park. Kudos to Angela Pfeiffer and her team. Our October luncheon will be to honor Past Presidents, Life Members, and Patrons. It is my hope and plan to be there to make that presentation, but if not, you will be in good hands. In November our speaker is Nora Burnette Espinosa, who served in the House of Representatives in



New Mexico for 10 years. She moved to San Antonio after retiring to be near her son and grandchildren. She will invigorate our members with her talk on the "Power of Your Thoughts"

The December speaker will be San Antonio's first woman Fire Chief Valerie Frausto. Membership Savita Rai is a friend and she procured her for this month. Thank you Savita.

Of course we have the phenomenal Christmas Faire coming up and there will be lots of news coming from Heather Hays who is the Chairperson and I should be able to be involved as it gets closer. I look forward to seeing your smiling faces again soon

Tawana Timberlake
Vice President











Books and Letters Round Table: Love to read and chat about books with fellow book lovers? The Books & Letters Round Table is for you! All members are welcome to join!
We meet the third Thursdays of the month at 11:30am at various locations.
Our first get-together is October 16th at Pesto Ristorante! The Book is: Raising the Titanic by Marta Molnar.
Email Savita Rai, Chair Books and Letters at Savita_tx@yahoo.com with any questions.

Fine Arts Round Table: Fine Arts Rt program for Oct. 27, 2025 will be Artist Donna Russell, an artist from Uvalde. A 9th generation Texan from San Antonio and a Canary Islander descended from one of the city's founding families, she was born in San Antonio, and lives in Uvalde. She is known as the "resident artist at the church," Her portfolio spans 20 yrs. She will also bring a beautiful picture she painted of the children of Uvalde. Please make your reservation with Mickey Tovar at 210-601-7141 **text please**. All are invited!

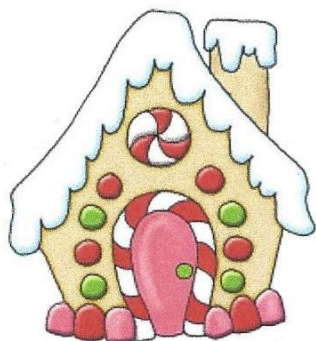
OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Kathy Littlefield	Oct 1
Ginger Vlieger	Oct 2
Stephanie Wire	Oct 3
Virginia Walker	Oct 5
Carol Keller	Oct 5
Sandra Bradley	Oct 9
Jennifer Brearley	Oct 10
Lydia Gurrola	Oct 10
Annette Ivy	Oct 11
Megan Valdenegro	Oct 11
LaRue Terry	Oct 11
Marsha Metz	Oct 15
Barbara Mayer-Kielmann	Oct 16



Deborah Brodigan	Oct 16
Jessica McAnelly	Oct 17
Cyndi Munch	Oct 18
Eva Barrera	Oct 19
Gloria Lopez	Oct 20
Belinda Hill-Herbst	Oct 22
Marie Goforth-Albarian	Oct 24
Barbara Walski	Oct 25
Susan Gargotta	Oct 26
Dina Juarez	Oct 26
Irene Pendleton	Oct 26
Rosemary Reyna-Sanchez	Oct 30

Where did this summer go!?!? Yes, believe it or not it is already that time for making Gingerbread Houses for the Christmas Faire. We are requesting volunteers to make the dough, contribute money to buy the royal frosting and candies for the kits, and most of all, HELP BAKING and ASSEMBLING. The Houses will be baked on October 20th and assembled on October 23rd.



GINGERBREAD HOUSE RECIPE

Single batch (Makes two (2) Houses)

1/2 cup soft margarine or butter (no lite)
1/2 cup white sugar
1/2 cup Molasses
1 egg yoke

2 cups flour
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. ginger
1-1/2 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. cloves
1/2 tsp. nutmeg

Double Batch (Makes 4 Houses)

1 cup soft margarine or butter
1 cup white sugar
1 cup Molasses
1 whole egg

4 cups flour
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. baking soda
2 tsp. baking powder
2 tsp. ginger
3 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. cloves
1 tsp. nutmeg

Cream margarine or butter, add sugar, then molasses and egg. Blend well. Slowly add dry ingredients, mix until well blended. May need extra flour if too soft. Store in refrigerator in large zip lock bags. Do not overfill as the baking powder makes it grow. Grandma's Molasses is a good one to use. Mixture will be soft.

Bring raw dough to the Woman's Club.

OCTOBER 2025 HOUSE CALENDAR

SUN 28	MON 29	TUE 30	WED Oct 1	THU 2	FRI 3	SAT 4
			● 11am WCSA Gen	● 11am SAWF Boar	● 1pm Fiesta M. Wi	Fiesta Orientation Susan Handlin Rent
5	6	7	8 ● 8:30am Fiesta Int	9 ● 11:30am Noontid	10	11
12	13 Columbus Day	14 ● 11:30am Friendsh	15 ● 11:30am Fiesta Ri	16 ● 11am SAWF Gen ● 11:30am Books ai	17 ● 9:30am Bridge Tc	18 ● 2pm Fiesta Youth
19 Erika Haskins Renta	20 Gingerbread Bake I	21 ● 6:30pm Soiree Rc	22	23 Gingerbread Assen	24 ● 10am Bridge Rou	25
26 ● 10am Photo Shoc	27 ● 11:30am Fine Arts	28 ● 11:30am Moderni	29 ● 10am Combined	30 Día De Los Muertos	31 Halloween Día De Los Muertos	Nov 1 ● 1:30pm Loy Wedk

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