

Rustling Leaves



January 2024 Newsletter of the Woman's Club of San Antonio Volume 125, Issue 1

The President's Letter

CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH OF YOU! You are proud members of The Woman's Club of San Antonio. We commemorated our 125th Anniversary in 2023, and we are beginning our 126th year supporting our community, our philanthropies, and developing a strong bond of fellowship among our members. It is an honor to serve as YOUR President!

In this message I would like to highlight our member Billie Arredondo who became a member in 2003. Several years



ago she began needlepointing a beautiful Santa Claus holding a globe and when she completed this treasure she let us put it on display in our foyer during the Christmas season. She has shared it with our members and our Christmas Faire guests who are in awe of her exquisite showpiece. Our Christmas decorating theme for this year was CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD. The Santa holding the globe exemplified our theme and she decided to officially gift it to our Woman's Club. The board and membership will officially vote on its acceptance, per our standing rules, in January. Thank you, Billie, for sharing your magnificent needlepoint for future generations of our Woman's Club. Billie is also active in several of our Round Tables and always willing to help with

our club activities. I particularly enjoy her delicious deviled eggs. At our January General Meeting on January 10th, the Carousel Round Table has asked her to compose a beautiful prayer to begin our New Year.

With the New Year, we become very excited as we begin to plan for FIESTA 2024. Our Fiesta Teen Queen Coronation will be held at the Public Theater/ San Pedro Playhouse on March 24th. Robin Steinhauser is our Chairman. Our Fiesta Flower Show will be at the Woodward Mansion on April 21st and 22nd and our Chairman is Helen Henderson. Our member and San Antonio's Mr. Fiesta, Michael Quintanilla, will be announcing a nostalgic throwback theme at our January meeting. I love the royal theme and look forward to Michael's announcement. A meeting is planned for members who want to take an active part in our Fiesta Hat Contest and Luncheon committee to be held at The Westin San Antonio North on Wednesday, April 24th. Our Chairman is our Vice President Sandra Ojeda Medina.



The program for our January General Meeting is "NEW YEAR...NEW WARDROBE, WHAT'S IN YOUR CLOSET". The presenter will be Mary Ann Patterson. Iris Francis, our Ways and Means Chairman, and our Vice-President, Sandra Ojeda Medina worked on this program as a team.

May the Christmas season fill your home with joy, your heart with love, and your life with laughter. Wishing you and your family health, happiness and peace and a very happy New Year.

Virginia
President 2022-2024

TEAM: TOGETHER EVERYONE ACCOMPLISHES MORE

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Sandra Carson-Miller	Jan 1
Carolyn Sanders	Jan 1
Faye Davenport	Jan 3
Leanna Laubach	Jan 4
Patricia Broyles	Jan 9
Margaret Stypko	Jan 9
Eileen Potts	Jan 10
Gretchen Stepke	Jan 11
Victoria Hatcher	Jan 12
Patty Landacre	Jan 12
Joan Cleary	Jan 13
Karen Ward	Jan 13



Sophia Christiansen	Jan 20
Barbara Niemann	Jan 21
Linda Champagne	Jan 25
Frances Garza-Alvarado	Jan 25
Carmen Ingram	Jan 25
Michael Quintanilla	Jan 25
Irma Iris Duran	Jan 27
Elaine Staller	Jan 27
Rosalinda Mancha	Jan 28

Care and Concern

Submitted by: Tawana Timberlake, Corresponding Secretary

- ❖ Linda Parsons has been sick with pneumonia for the past week or so. She is on the road to recovery. Cards, emails, prayers, good vibes are appreciated. Her address is: 13950 Walnut Canyon, Helotes, TX 78023. Email: lindakayeparsons@gmail.com
- ❖ Our dear member Patty Landacre has been put on home hospice care due to a battle with urothelial carcinoma. Energy levels are low so cards and texts are better than phone calls or visits. Your messages can be sent to her via text at 210-279-0477, and mailed to 14214 Clear Creek Street, San Antonio Texas 78232
- ❖ Michael Quintanilla's sister, Julia San Miguel recently passed. Notes of condolence can be sent to : Michael Quintanilla, 1602 Peterson, San Antonio, Tx. 78224

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Something to keep in mind as you set the table this Holiday Season!

Happy New Year!

Upcoming General Meeting and Events

Sandra Ojeda Medina, Vice-president

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

The Woman's Club of San Antonio welcomes everyone to a Style Show / Fundraiser

“New Year...New Wardrobe, What's In Your Closet?”

Presented by

Maryann Patterson

Quality Clothing Professional Vendor

Information will be presented about the fabrics used and how to care for them-All sizes available

Models will be Woman's Club Members

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

10:30 a.m. Social-11:00 a.m. Program-12:00 Noon Luncheon
Round Table Hostesses – Carousel

Reservation deadline is 12:00 Noon on Monday, January 8th, and payment (\$30.00) MUST accompany reservation. Please call 210-732-4811 or register online at

<https://wcsa.ticketleap.com/January-General-Meeting2024>

MENU

Chicken Piccata, Angel Hair Pasta, Grilled Lemon and Garlic Asparagus, Dessert

Meals will be served with rolls and seasonal salad or soup



The Scholarship Committee hosted a Brunch on December 15, 2023, at the Mansion at 10:30 a.m for our scholarship recipients. We celebrated their success, and a delicious brunch was served. Members from the SAC Women's Empowerment Center also attended. The students discussed how the scholarships affected their academic studies.

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Scenes from a Christmas Faire





The Bake Shoppe offered a tasty selection of cookies, breads, jellies, candies, rolls, cakes, pies, and gingerbread houses. Kathy Littlefield and the other "gingerbread ladies" baked and assembled over 150 kits. Tina Zimmerman arranged for special delivery of the pecans and walnuts. Special thanks go to Rose Corley who crafted two pan dulce display baskets and Arlene Chalkley who created the Texas-themed decorations. Chairman Marsha Metz thanks Jeanne Koplán, assistant chairman, and helpers Helen Jones, Karen Ward, Sandra Whittaker, and Rose Reyna-Sanchez, as well as all who patronized the Bake Shoppe.



Santa and the Nutcracker brought the holiday spirit to the December General Meeting.

IT IS TIME TO TAKE IT ALL DOWN!

All bright and beautiful things must come to an end - or at least get put into storage boxes for another year! Your help is requested to un-decorate the house on 4 January at 10:30. Big, strong sons, daughters, grandchildren, spouses, etc. are invited to participate. Round Tables need to pack up and remove all decorations by the end of the day.



Round Table Corner

Books and Letters met at La Fonda on Main. The discussion of 'The extraordinary life of Sam Hell' by Robert Dugoni was engaging as the book touched many topics that included Catholic Church school, alcoholism, domestic violence, bullying, unconditional love and last minute opportunities for humanity.



INGENUES ROUND TABLE

The Ingenues hosted their annual Christmas party for the Respite Care children (home for abused/special needs children) at The Woman's Club. This is the Ingenues favorite event as it is so nice to see the smiles on the children's faces as these kids have been through so much! The children and caregivers ate, played games, decorated gingerbread cookies & houses, had a visit from Santa (Brian) who read "The Night Before Christmas", each child received a special gift, flowers were given to each caregiver, the children sang songs with bells, and we presented Respite Care a \$500 check from the Ingenues to use for the children!! Respite Care of San Antonio is one of the official charities of The Woman's Club. -submitted by Johanna Christiansen, Ingenue Round Table Chair





Ingenuer Pasta Lunch

Monday January 15th

Pasta & Salad
Garlic Bread
Dessert

11:30 am

\$15 Dine In
or
Carryout

Woodward Mansion

RSVP 210.732.4811

<https://wcsa.ticketleap.com/ingenuer-pasta-lunch-2024>



January 2024 House Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31	Jan 1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	14	15	16	17	18	20
	21	22	23	24	25	27
28	29	30	31	Feb 1	2	3

