

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Carole Dann



So, we are well into the second half of the Women's Club active year, and it seems that we are all enjoying the

changes made to our meeting and special events venues. We've received so many nice comments from many of you and some excellent recommendations. We are eager to hear your thoughts, so please feel free to email me (caroleLdann@gmail.com) or talk to any of the board members.

Dianne Haeg and Judy Baer would like you to put the Spring Dance on your calendars right away. It will be Friday, April 3rd at the Sonesta Hotel Ballroom and promises to be a fun evening of "Dancing in the Moonlight."

It's also already time to start thinking about next year's leadership for both Women's Club as well as for our SIGs. For the club, Gloria Crosthwait, Parliamentarian, has met with the Executive Committee and selected the Nominating Committee (see her article). These ladies will select next year's Executive Committee candidates (for President, 1st and 2nd Vice President, Recording and Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer) and will appreciate your input. Remember, the President and 1st and 2nd Vice President must have served on the Board for one year sometime in the past. The positions of Recording and Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer are open to anyone. So, if you are interested and qualified or know someone who is, with their permission, please submit their name on

the Recommendation Form provided in a link with this newsletter. The Executive Committee is elected by you, the membership. The slate is presented at the March General Meeting, voted on at the April General Meeting and installed at the May Installation Luncheon.

The Recommendation Form also requests recommendations for the 17 Standing Board positions. These positions do not require any previous Board participation and are appointed by the incoming President. She will appreciate any recommendations that you have. Remember to consider yourself. The form indicates at the top when and where to mail it or hand it in.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting. Social time begins at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting at 10 a.m., followed by the speaker. The optional luncheon follows thereafter.

Carole Dann, President

1st VICE PRESIDENT

Cecilia Abbott is the wife to her husband of 38 years, the Governor of Texas, Greg Abbott. With her husband's election as Governor, Cecilia made history by becoming the first Hispanic First Lady of Texas. Her story reminds us all that the American Dream is alive



and well in Texas. The granddaughter of Mexican immigrants, Cecilia was raised in San Antonio by parents who were both educators, and who instilled in her a love of learning and helping others.

Having taken those lessons to heart, she earned three degrees from the University of St. Thomas in Houston and then devoted her life to serving others. She has been a teacher, vice-principal and principal at several Catholic schools across Texas, and later went on to another noble calling, working in senior healthcare services. She currently serves on the board of several educational organizations and is an active member of many philanthropic groups. Cecilia has also partnered with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services on the *Network of Nurture* initiative to raise awareness about the ways Texans can support children and families in the state's child welfare system.

Nancy Bain, 1st Vice President

2nd VICE PRESIDENT

Have you hugged your SIG Chair today? A significant number of our members belong to one or more SIGs and the members give a 5-star rating to all 23 groups! But, did you know that these gatherings require lots of planning, coordination, venue selection and delicious food to execute a successful event? So, at your next meeting, give a 'high 5" to the Chairs and support teams that make it all happen.

Do you want to feather your nest egg or eat at some of the newest restaurants in town? Get a behind-the-scene look at the Lakeway Investment Partners and The Galloping Gourmets SIGs at our February General Meeting, as they highlight their activities. Contact: 216-409-1110 or saniles4@gmail.com Sheila A. Niles, 2nd Vice President

TREASURER

I want to encourage all of you ladies to take advantage of Randall's Good Neighbor Program. It is easy to do and costs you absolutely nothing. You simply stop by the customer service desk and fill out the Good Neighbor Program form. Select Women's Club of Greater Lakeway as your organization and each time you use your Randall's card, the club will receive 1% of your purchase. Our organization number is 7785. This added revenue helps us keep our budget on track and dues from increasing.

Copies of the current Treasurer's report are always available at General Meetings on the table near the ballroom entrance.

Carrie Smith, Treasurer

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Care and concern notes were sent to: Cindy Kotrady, Janice Zehrer, Linda Swan, Ann Neighbors and Mary Alice Kilgore. Sympathy notes were sent to: Ximena Sauerman and Patrice Ramsbottom.

Do you know someone needing a little encouragement while dealing with an illness, accident, loss of a loved one, or even recognition of an honor received? Women's Club would like to send them a card. Please contact me at 512-608-9966 or at sherry.bettis@yahoo.com.

Sherry Bettis, Corresponding Secretary

RECORDING SECRETARY

The Recording Secretary takes the official minutes at all Women's Club Board Meetings and General Meetings. General Meeting minutes will be available at the entrance to the Flintrock Ballroom at each General Meeting for your review. Sara Scarberry, Recording Secretary

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to our new members, Kim Ralls and Jennifer Windau!

The printed, 2019-2020 Yearbook and Directory is available at the Membership Table for all new members who joined after September 2019. If you haven't already done so, please stop by to pick up your copy.

If you have any new friends or neighbors interested in joining WCGL, please let them know that 2019-2020 New Member dues are reduced to \$20 after January 31, 2020.

As always, please let me now if you have recently changed any of your contact information at wcglmembership@gmail.com.

Gwen Holcroft, Membership Chair

NEW MEMBER MENTORING

We are happy to welcome more than 26 New Members since September. The Mentor Program allows us the privilege of introducing new members to our Special Interest Groups, our Executive Board, special events and activities and to each other. We hope to see each of you at our next General Meeting on Monday, February 24th and we encourage you to join us for lunch following the meeting—

another great way to get acquainted with your fellow new members (just a reminder to note "New Member Table" on your lunch reservation). Please note a change of venue and time for our third event—an invitation will be forthcoming for Happy Hour on Wednesday, February 5th from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Lakeway Resort and Spa. Feel free to contact us with any questions. Looking forward to seeing y'all soon!

janrouse3@gmail.com or Toni at tonidtabb@gmail.com *Jan Rouse and Toni Tabb, Co-Chairs*

HOSPITALITY

Our February luncheon starts off with a delicious "Three-sixty Salad", followed by your choice of either pork tenderloin with sweet potato mash, swiss chard and a pomegranate reduction or a vegetarian option-- Mediterranean penne pasta with wild mushrooms, toasted pine nuts and crispy onion. Finish with a dessert bar tray!

Please help us plan...We anticipate high attendance at the meeting and luncheon seating will be limited-- so get your reservations in EARLY!

Checks should be made out to "Women's Club of Greater Lakeway" or "WCGL" for \$23 per member and \$28 for guests and mailed to Kim Majkszak, 115 Desert Forest Court 78738. Don't let the February 14th deadline catch you without a reservation. See the reservation form link with this email. If you have a guest who is not a member of Women's Club but who would like to attend-- and they are not able to ride with another member-- please have them contact Kim at: kimber4sue@att.net or 512-796-0971

Kim Majkszak and Pam Filas, Co-Chairs

SOCIAL

The most exciting event of the season is coming soon. Mark your calendar for "Dancing in the Moonlight", better known as the spring dance, on **April 3rd.** We have a brand new dance band playing all the tunes we know and love. **See the flier link with this newsletter!**

Dianne Haeg and Judy Baer, Co-Chairs

SPECIAL EVENTS

Our next special event will be the May Installation luncheon on Monday, May 18th (the third Monday vs. the fourth, due to the Memorial Day holiday.) *Ann McCann and Susan Jerke, Co-Chairs*

HISTORIAN

We encourage members who are not yet pictured in our online directory to have your photo taken. I take photos in between each meeting and luncheon. SIG members are encouraged to send photos of your meetings/events to me so I may include them in our annual yearbook. Feel free to contact me at 512-507-1279 or sherrytodd52@yahoo.com Sherry Todd Smith, Historian

PARLIAMENTARIAN

This month we start thinking about Women's Club officers for next year (2020 - 2021). The Executive Board has chosen a very capable Nominating Committee: Susan Bryce, Sue Block, Ann McCann, Gwen Holcroft, Janis Tonn and Gloria Crosthwait, chairman. See the link that is provided with this newsletter for the Recommendation Form for you to indicate your suggestions. Return this form to any member of the Nominating Committee or bring it to the February general meeting. Remember vou can nominate vourself. Please note that only the Executive Board is elected by the membership and the Standing Committee is appointed by the incoming President. However, your suggestions for standing committee positions are greatly appreciated by the incoming president.

The Nominating Committee will compile a slate of officers for the Executive Board from your recommendations. This slate will be presented at the March meeting, voted on at the April meeting and installed at the May meeting.

Gloria Crosthwait, Parliamentarian

WEBMASTER

Stay in touch with current events by accessing our website http://www.LakewayWomensClub.com and connect with other members using our online directory. The online directory now includes email addresses for members who choose to opt-in to publishing their email in our password-protected directory. You can opt-in by going to the Membership tab on the website, clicking Directory, and filling out the online form. Your email will only be published at your request, by opting in. If you have a headshot you would like to include in the online directory, or if you have any questions about navigating the website, send me an email at wcglwebmaster@gmail.com Autumn Schulze, Webmaster

COMMUNITY LIAISON

Lake Travis Community Library

www.laketraviscommunitylibrary.org

- Thursdays, February 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, 7 p.m. ~ "Great Decisions Discussion Program", a free, eight-week, nationwide, non-partisan program intended to broaden public involvement in foreign affairs. No registration required.
- Wednesday, February 26th, 7 p.m. ~ "Lake Travis Reads - An Evening with the Author" Lara Prescott at the Bee Cave Public Library will discuss her book, *The Secrets We Kept*, a New York Times Bestseller. "Lake Travis Reads" is a "One Book, One Community" program co-sponsored by the Bee Cave Public Library and the Lake Travis and Spicewood Community Libraries that encourages the community to read the featured title and then meet the author. Copies are available at the libraries for checkout in print, audio and digital formats.

Lakeway Activity Center

www.lakeway-texas.gov

- February 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, noon-1 p.m.~
 Brown Bag Lunchtime Concert Series; bring a sack lunch and enjoy free music!
- Monday, February 10th, 8-10 p.m.~ Big Band Bash; doors open at 7:30 p.m.

The 2020 Lakeway Tea

• Saturday, March 14th, 1-3:30 p.m. ~ High Tea at the Hills Country Club to benefit the Lake Travis Crisis Ministries. Contact Ann Neighbors at AnnNeighbors@aol.com or 512-261-1980

Contact Paula at pbnannie@yahoo.com *Paula Barcik, Community Liaison*

DIRECTORY/YEARBOOK

So many of you carry your Directory/Yearbook with you just to get members' addresses and phone numbers, but there is so much more. Did you realize that you can find the following: List of Past Presidents, History and Founders, Executive Committee, Standing Committees, Committee Chairs, General Meeting dates and speakers, Special Events dates and locations, Special Interest Groups, Constitution, By-Laws, Standing Rules, and local advertisers?!

Susan Bryce, Chair

4th OF JULY FLOAT/ PARADE

Hi Ladies! We would like for the Women's Club to have a much larger presence in the 4th of July parade this year. In addition to our float, it would be great if all of our SIGs could be represented with either a golf cart, convertible or a vintage car! So if you have access to one of these types of vehicles and would be willing to participate in the parade, please contact Diann at diannblevins@aol.com. Let's show the community who we are and have some fun!

Diann Blevins and Lee Westphal, Co-Chairs

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

~ BOOK CLUBS ~

"A" Book Club

(accepting new members)

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 10 a.m. We rotate our monthly meetings between members' homes. Please call Jane at 512-565-6347 for details. *Jane Blackburn and Maggie Calbert, Co-Chairs*

"B" Literates (currently full)

We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Contact faithstevens@gmail.com or masondennis@sbcglobal.net

Faith Stevens and Liz Mason, Co-Chairs

Chatty Critics (currently full)

The Chatty Critics book group meets the 1st Monday of the month at 1 p.m. at members' homes. Our next meeting is February 3rd when we'll discuss *The Man without a Shadow* by award-winning author Joyce Carol Oates. The meeting will be at the home of Felicia Dodd, 18 Club Estates Parkway. Contact: sampsonstephanie5@gmail.com

Stephanie Sampson, Chair

Life Enrichment Book Club (currently full)

We have round-table discussions on different topics of interest each month. We meet the 2nd Monday of each month from 1-2:30 p.m. in various homes. The February meeting will be on Monday, February 10th at the home of Cris Horner: 101 Arroyo

Claro. Our topic for discussion will be: 'How do you renew/refresh yourself each day?' For more information please contact donnak954@aol.com or 512-266-1120.

Donna Kumar, Chair

Literary Ladies of Lakeway (currently full, but waiting list available)

The Literary Ladies of Lakeway meet in members' homes on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. In February we will be reading *Rule of Civility* by Amor Towles. For information contact: Kimberly at lenzfamily@sbcglobal.net or Beth at cliffandbetho@gmail.com.

Kimberly Lenz and Beth Olszewski, Co-Chairs

Voyagers Book Club (accepting new members)

Voyagers Book Club will have our next meeting on Friday, February 28th, held in the home of Leiann Riggins at 10 a.m. We'll be discussing the book, *In the Land of the Blue Burqas* by Kate McCord. Please contact me at 512-775-5933 or kathylwilson @gmail.com

Kathy Wilson, Chair

Wine and Words (accepting new members)

We meet on the 3rd Thursday each month at 6 p.m. in members' homes or out at restaurants to enjoy a light meal, some wine and discuss the book of the month. Please contact Robin at 760-707-3801 or at robinhermann4@aol.com

Robin Hermann, Chair

World of Books (currently full, but waiting list available)

Members gather the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. at members' homes. We will be meeting at the home of Diann Blevins on February 11th to discuss, *Growing Up* by Russell Baker. Contact Sherrie at sherrie@kelisatexas.com or Margot at margot.odom@gmail.com

Sherrie Smith and Margot Odom, Co-Chairs

CANASTA

(currently full, but need subs)

We meet the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at the Lakeway Activity Center from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Contact Beverly at 512-970-3244 or virgilbev@att.net Beverly Gould, Chair

DINNER CLUB

(currently full, but need subs)

We are a group of couples who meet in members' homes in pairings of three couples during January, February and March. One couple serves as host and is responsible for the entree. The two guest couples bring hor d'oeuvres and dessert and libations of their choice. Our regular membership is currently closed, however there is a substitute group. Substitutes are called if there are couples who cannot attend a scheduled dinner. If you are interested in joining the sub group, please contact Pat at youngerpat@aol.com or Laura at lauraaharvill@gmail.com

Pat Younger and Laura Harvill, Co-Chairs

DOTTIE'S FOLLIES

(accepting new members)

Dottie's Follies is a dance group that performs for special occasions. You will be treated to one of their performances at the May 2020 Installation Luncheon. This group is open to ladies who desire to learn dance routines and perform publicly, while improving their mental and physical fitness levels. It's also open to those who just like to have fun! Contact Dottie at 512-266-6460 or donadotties@aol.com

Dottie Stevenson, Chair

EXPATS

(accepting new members)

We are a group who have either lived abroad or were born in another country. Members gather on the 1st Monday of the month at 10 a.m. This month's theme will be 'carnivals around the world'. We ask everyone to bring a carnival souvenir from a country they are from, lived in, visited or loved. We will meet February 3rd at Pam Filas' home. Please contact Christa at 512-964-0330 or at christa@christabeyer.com for more information. Carol Hudson, Christa Beyer and Els Buckingham, Co-Chairs

THE GALLOPING GOURMETS (accepting new members)

Please join us!! Galloping Gourmets will celebrate upcoming Mardi Gras on Friday, February 7th, beginning at 11:30 a.m. at Café Blue located in the Hill Country Galleria, 12800 Hill Country Blvd., Suite G-115. Mardi Gras masks are optional. Menu Choices: (1) Salmon salad, (2) Pan-seared catfish

with shrimp and crawfish in a Louisiana sauce; (3) Rosemary artichokes on penne pasta with a choice of shrimp, chicken or steak. We will also celebrate with the Mardi Gras tradition of King Cake. Alcoholic beverages are not included in the cost. Please send your checks in the amount of \$30 made out to "Galloping Gourmets" to Elizabeth Toler, 27 San Giovani, 78734. Don't delay!

Also... The March Galloping Gourmets luncheon will be on Wednesday, March 4th with renown Chef, Jack Gilmore (owner of Jack Allen's Kitchen and Salt Traders). He will perform a cooking demonstration and autograph his new cookbook. Contact event Co-Chair Sara Scarberry at sara. scarberry@att.net for more details and to sign-up. Judy Baer and Elizabeth Toler, Co-Chairs

GARDEN CLUB

(accepting new members)

Get ready for spring! It's all coming up roses. Garden Club members look forward to a presentation by Mary Kay Pope of Backbone Valley Nursery. She will be presenting "Rose Pruning 101". There will be a discussion of the different types of roses and how to prune them properly. Join us Thursday, February 13th at Highland Village Clubhouse in Rough Hollow, 901 Highlands Blvd. We meet at 9:30 a.m. for coffee and hospitality, with the presentation beginning at 10 a.m. Contact Sue at 713-202-7633 or suepfeff@hotmail.com

Sue Pfeffer, Chair

HIKE & BIKE (accepting new members)

Have you heard of Little Fern Trail, an easier hiking trail in River Place? It winds along a rushing creek through a thick forest dotted with giant boulders and pretty foliage. That is where Hike & Bike members will be on a tranquil Tuesday afternoon in February. Wanna come? We have room for a few more members!

For info about how to join Hike & Bike, visit the Hike & Bike SIG page on WCGL's website. Winter outings are held in the afternoon, when temps are warmest. Spring and fall outings are on cool mornings. To get on our email distribution list, send a message to groupexpedition@gmail.com.

More info and photos are at: https://www.lakeway-womensclub.com/hike-and-bike
Lynne LeMon, Chair

KNITTING AND STITCHERY (accepting new members)

We meet the 2nd Monday of every month at 10 a.m. If you like to knit, crochet, quilt, needlepoint, weave, or just craft, please come and join us! Our next meeting is February 10th at the home of Dotty Hord. For further information, please contact us. Phyllis at pmiller888@aol.com or 512-608-9638; Lori at lori.vacchiano1@gmail.com or 203-858-5572. Keep crafting!

Phyllis Miller and Lori Vacchiano, Co-Chairs

LAKEWAY INVESTMENT PARTNERS (accepting new members)

Lakeway Investment Partners meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. Lakeway Investment Partners will hold its monthly meeting in the home of Annette Brown, 604 Robin Dale Drive on February 4th at 1:30 p.m. If you have an interest in stocks or investing, please join us! Contact Kay at kaymuessig@gmail.com, or Genevieve at fessendeng@gmail.com.

Kay Muessig and Genevieve Fessenden, Co-Chairs

OUT AND ABOUT (accepting new members)

Our trip to the Houston Nutcracker Spring

Market at the Galleria is scheduled for Friday, April 17th and Saturday the 18th.

The trip cost is \$65. No refunds. Fees cover the bus, bus driver tip, admission to the Galleria and snacks. Checks are made out to "Out and About" and mailed to Renee Picanso, 903 Crestone Stream Drive, Lakeway 78738.

We will stay overnight at the Westin Oaks Houston at the Galleria, 5011 Westheimer at Post Oak, Houston 77056. Phone: (713) 960-8100. Westin is providing Out and About members block-room rates of \$128 per Double or King bedroom type. This cost includes the tax. Two double beds per room are available, so members have the option of sharing a room if desired. The room cost is the responsibility of the Women's Club member.

Everyone will be on their own for meals and shop-

ping. There will be a lot of walking, so comfortable shoes will be important.

Departure: The bus departs Randalls on April 17th at 1 p.m. Please arrive at 12:30 p.m. to allow time for check-in. The bus returns on April 18th at 6 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact our communications coordinator, Linda Bruning, at 785-215-2374 or linda.bruning7@gmail.com.

Robin Hermann and Renee Picanso, Co-Chairs

PURSUING POETRY (currently full)

We meet in members' homes at 10 a.m. the 1st Tuesday of the month. On February 4th we will meet at the home of Martha Kubala, 113 Blue Lake Cove (512-261-6148). Carol Davis will choose the poetry for this meeting.

Carol Davis and Karen Bruck, Co-Chairs

RETIREMENT HOME CRAFTS (accepting new members)

Please join us in this community outreach to our elderly population as we do simple crafts with the residents of Legacy At The Oaks (next door to Baylor Scott & White hospital). We meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month from September until May from 1-2 p.m. at the facility. If you can cut, color, and glue, you are qualified. Please contact Donna for more information at donnak954@aol.com or 512-266-1120.

Donna Kumar, Chair

SING ALONG

(accepting new members, auditions required)

The Sing Alongers started working on our Spring show last month. Stay tuned! We meet weekly on Thursdays at the Lakeway Activity Center from 3-4:30 p.m. For more information contact Joann at 512-261-3313

Joann Anderson, Chair

SINGLE FRIENDS OF LAKEWAY (accepting new members)

We have a couple of great ideas for upcoming festivities, like eagle watching with Vanishing River Cruises on Lake Buchanan and perhaps a bowling outing soon! Stay tuned for more firm details. Contact Jackie at jkl4242@gmail.com

Jackie Llovd, Chair

SOCIAL HOUR

(accepting new members)

Join us for a casual get together and stay connected to Lakeway Women's Club friends! We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 4:30 until 6:30 p.m. at local restaurants. We limit our reservations to the first 40 who register each month upon receiving their emailed invitation. Our next get together will be at at the Lakeway Resort on February 26th. For more information email Shelley at AgeNo-More01@aol.com or at 512-608-9264 Shelley Smith and Sara Scarberry, Co-Chairs

COMMUNICATIONS

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OUR WOMEN'S CLUB WEBSITE LINKS:

Home Page:

https://www.lakewaywomensclub.com

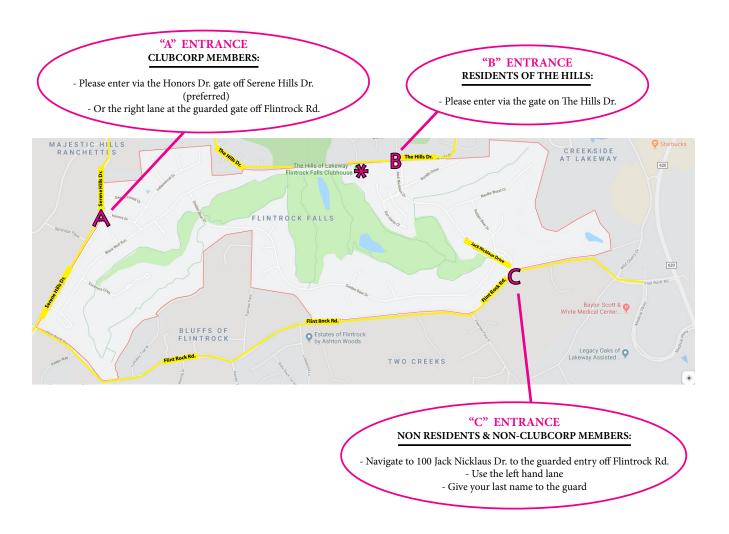
Membership Directory w/ photos, phone numbers, addresses and opted-in email addresses (password protected; see printed Yearbook and Directory for password):

https://www.lakewaywomensclub.com/directory

Individual Special Interest Group (SIG) info:

https://www.lakewaywomensclub.com/sig-news

Flintrock Falls Community Entrances



NON-WCGL MEMBERS AND GUESTS must contact Kim Majkszak for a reservation: 512-796-0972 or kimber4sue@att.net