

Friends and Neighbors Of FM 1960

Presidents Message

February 2010

Dear FAN Ladies,

I'd like to dedicate this article to Barb Friedl, a dear friend of mine and FAN, who passed away this week after a short, but brave battle with liver cancer. Barb was a relatively new member of FAN joining in the 2007/2008 year. She jumped into FAN with both feet joining the Canasta group, the Page Turners Book Club and playing Mah Jongg. And who can forget that she brought Elvis to us at the Christmas Luncheon! Those of us who knew her well will miss her, especially her wonderful sense of humor.

Thank you to Jane Stephens who chaired the Christmas Luncheon with Barb. It was a huge success! We will be announcing how much money was raised for our charities and presenting the checks to Well-springs and Interfaith Care Partners at the February General Meeting.

Ginny Bailey and Claudia Coates planned and hosted a really enjoyable Cookie Exchange Luncheon. Not only did they carry the torch for this tradition admirably, but we all went home with delicious treats and great trivia games.

The trip to Santa's Wonderland in Bryan was a perfect start to our Christmas holiday thanks to Sharlene Wesson and Sharon Wertz. If you haven't been there yet, be sure and visit it next Christmas. It is truly a winter wonderland with lights fantastic.

Once again Kathy Michalski planned an important and informative January general meeting. Don Raschke with the Texas State Securities Board gave a timely presentation on investment frauds.

"All of life is a journey - which paths we take, what we look back on and what we look forward to is up to us."



We look forward to the February general meeting when Linda Durham with "Organization Matters" will tell us how to get rid of our annoying and accumulating clutter.

I look forward to this meeting when the Nominating Committee for the 2010/2011 Board will be introduced. If you are interested in volunteering, please let these ladies know.

We look forward to our mystery trip on February 26th. If you haven't signed up yet, there's still time. Give Sharlene Wesson or Sharon Wertz a call today. Also, looking forward to the Progressive Dinner on March 20th planned by "our" Margarets - Margaret Burgess and Margaret Hein.

I look forward to seeing you on February 2nd.

Linda Fisher

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Sunshine Corner — Karen Baird



Fellow FAN Members

It is with deep regret that we inform you of the passing of Barb Friedl on January 16, 2010. Barb and her husband Lou were married for over 46 years and her death has hit the family hard. Please remember Barb's family in your prayers.

Please keep the following members in your thoughts and prayers. Many of us who have experienced a loss, share your pain.

- Jane Stephens, who lost her mother in December
- Adrienne Juno, who lost her mother in early January



Please also remember Cathy D'Antoni in your prayers. Cathy and her husband are caring for their son John who is recovering from a stroke at TIRR Memorial Herman Rehabilitation Hospital.

Karen Baird has assumed the duties of Sunshine Chairperson. Please contact her with any news of FAN members at 281-651-6767, jandkbaird@aol.com.

Programs – Kathy Michalski, 1st VP

Our speaker for the February 2 meeting is Linda Durham of Organizing Matters. The topic is "The Cluttering Kinds", where we'll learn to identify the kinds of clutter that crowd out the things that matter most. Learn to recognize the faulty logic we use which keeps us from letting go of the things that crowd out quality of life. We'll learn how to make the tough decisions easy; to de-clutter painlessly and take practical control over your papers, time and stuff of life. Just think, you'll be so organized doing your income taxes will be a breeze! Check out Linda's website, OrganizingMatters.com.

Contact me at katyamichalski@sbcglobal.net or call at 281 251-1682 for questions



Membership – Lillian Blakesley, 2nd VP

Well, the new year is here and by now everyone has their FAN directory. I would like to mention again that we still have directories available and if any member desires to acquire an extra one, it is possible to do so for only \$2.00. If you have any questions, please see me at the sign-in table at the General Meeting. Contact Lillian at 281-370-3856 or LPB2@entouch.net.

Wishing you all a lovely Valentine's Day!

HISTORIAN

Hi, FAN friends~

We need everybody to pick up a camera--ANY camera--and share your FAN fun with us! Group leaders, send us your posed groupings, activity shots, individual pictures ---something to share with Linda for her memory book (and for the FAN website). ALL groups should be represented. Pictures can be sent to me at debbie-laich@comcast.net or placed in the purple picture box at the general meetings.

KEEP SMILING!

Debbie Laich

FAN Website

See NEW PHOTOS of the Christmas Luncheon, Cookie Exchange gathering, & Santa Workshop trip. Contact **Cindy Ward** for ALL of your **Google Group website** questions. 281-376-8704, cindy@planetward.net



NAME Your NEWSLETTER

Do you have a clever name for the Fan Newsletter? Please submit your suggestions at the meeting, email or call me, Adrienne Juno, at 281.794.4000 or ahjuno@gmail.com.

MONDAY AT THE MOVIES

Next movie outing will be February 8th. Mark your calendar! Sign up will be at the February meeting. Call Margaret Burgess for details. 281-304-8977



Page Turners Book Group Rocks!!

For our November meeting, the selected book to read was Friday Nights Knitting Club by Kate Jacobs. Fifteen minutes into the November meeting Kate actually called in and spoke to the group! She was in St. Louis waiting for a plane.

At the January meeting, FAN's own Carlene Thompson, author of Fannie May is not a Slut visited the group to discuss her book.



Mark Your Calendars

February 2	General Meeting "Organization Matters" w/Linda Durham
February 26	MYSTERY DAY TRIP
March 2	General Meeting and Fashion Show
March 20	SOCIAL: Progressive Dinner

Activities

FAN COUPLES GOLF

-Looking for New Members-



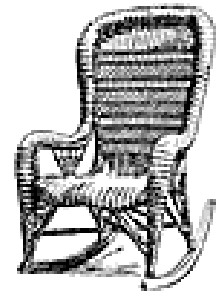
We play golf in the Houston Metro area on **Saturday mornings** and eat at a near-by restaurant afterwards. **Call for date and place.**

If this sounds fun, come join us to see how you would like it.....

Call **Jan Fau**, Hm: 281-290-9494,
Cell: 281-728-9948

ANTIQUES & JUNKERS

The Antiques and Junkers group had a meeting and outing on January 20th. They met at the home of Carlene Thompson and had a brief "pit stop", then arranged car pools. We will head north on I-45 to Huntsville. The first stop was at a small outlet mall just past the Woodlands (Sam-Moon, Anne Klein, etc), then they headed to a wonderful Mexican restaurant in Huntsville. Next stop was the Sam Houston Mercantile Mall, and other near-by shops on the square. A great time was had by all.



FEBRUARY OUTING: We'll meet at Bert Forbes', 13507 Marblepointe Lane, Cypress on Feb. 17 at 9:30 a.m. for coffee, then carpool to Brenham. Restaurant for lunch not yet decided. Please call Bert at (281) 304-2444 or email at afortbesw@aol.com, if you are interested on attending.



LITERARY REVIEW



We thank Carole Garrigan for hosting our delightful Christmas Brunch.

Book: Loving Frank by Nancy Horan

Leader: Marie Remik

Date: February 24, 1:00 PM

Hostess: Barbara Hine, 281-376-3365
9730 Champions Cove Drive in
Estates of Windrush

Directions: From Louetta Rd. turn South onto Champions Drive (not Champion Forest). Turn right on Appin Falls Dr. and go to end. Turn right on Chipstead. Turn right on Kepler McVey. Turn left on Emilia to Champions Cove. Barb's house is here.

In March we will read The Zookeeper's Wife by Diane Ackerman.

Contact Winnie Mitchell 281-580-6672

MYSTERY DAY TRIP

Let's go back in time.....



When: Friday, Feb 26

Where: Will meet at Randall's parking lot @
Champion Forest & Louetta

Time: 8:15 am-4pm

Cost: \$6, plus lunch is on you

Contact: Sharon Wertz @ 281-893-9329

**RED
HOT**

**BE
MINE**

**FOR
EVER**

**HUG
ME**

**REMEMBER TO KEEP BRINGING
YOUR COUPONS**

Audie Brooks (281-225-8977)


FAN SOCIAL



March 20th is the date of the next FAN social. A progressive dinner is being planned. Sign up will begin at the February general meeting. More details will be available at the general meeting and in the next newsletter. For now, mark your calendars and save the date!

THE LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch Chairperson:
Sharlene Wesson
281.251.6940



February 17th at 12 noon: Contact hostess Krystyn Warwick, 281.440.9564 for reservations before Feb 15th. Bring a non sweet dish.



NATURE WALKERS

Give yourself the gift of health and join our walking group. This fun group will meet in Meyer Park at 7700 Cypresswood, Houston, TX.

Meyer Park is a 286-acre facility with 26 soccer fields (ten are lighted), two unlighted softball fields, a basketball court, barbecue pavilion, gazebo, paved trails, nature trails, duck pond, a three-acre fishing lake, picnic tables, barbecue grills, two age-specific playgrounds, and rest room facilities. For more information, go to their



website at <http://www.hcp4.net/parks/meyer/>

Our walk lasts one hour and we welcome all levels of walkers. Meeting days and times vary based on group availability and weather. If you haven't signed up, please contact me with your name and email address. If you know of other areas suitable for nature walking, please send me an email with that information.

Looking forward to walking with you.

Jacqueline Webster



FAN WINE TASTING GROUP



Our group is interested in learning about and enjoying wine. We meet: on the **1st Saturday** of each month at **7:30 p.m.** Each couple takes a turn to host the group (usually once a year). They choose the wines and provide coffee and dessert. Everyone brings an appetizer, and we all share the cost of the wines we have tasted. There is a "Guest List" for anyone interested in wine but find you can't get to our meeting every month. If you are interested in joining us, or would like more information, please call or e-mail: Sheila Gibbs, 281-890-3948 or E-mail: 12gibbs@att.net



CANASTA I

We play at Willowbrook Fuddrucker's every 4th Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. Charge: \$3.00

ALL FAN MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

NO RESERVATIONS!

Questions? Call **Shirley Strack, 832-717-7640** or **Carol Well, 281-251-5223**



CANASTA II

When: 9:45-2, 3rd Tuesday ****NEW DAY****

Where: Egg & I, on Louetta Rd at SH 249.

Cost: \$3. Must eat lunch. Prices \$5 up

Contact: Eileen Kelly 281-516-1535 or

ekellyme19@sbcglobal.net

All are welcome. No prior experience required.



COUPLES DINNER CANASTA

WHEN: 3rd Saturday of each month

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

COST: \$2.00 per person, plus dinner

PLACE: Café Express, FM 1960 in the Champions Shopping Center.

CONTACT: Debbie Laich, 281-251-5212

debbielaich@comcast.net

New couples
always
welcome!

Meeting Dates

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month, September through May, at St. Ignatius Church at 9:30am. Remaining dates:

February 2, 2010

March 2, 2010

April 6, 2010

May 4, 2010



COUPLES DINNER BRIDGE

Bridge is back in play from the holidays. We hosted eight tables this month and had a great time - come and join us for a relaxed Saturday evening.

When: Saturday, February 20th

Time: 5 p.m.

Where: Spring Creek BBQ, 4220 W FM 1960

Hostess: Margaret McKenney

Thank you to Marie & Ian Davidson for hosting in January

Winners:

1st: Ian Davidson 2nd: Betty Dejarnett 3rd: Jack Searcy

4th: Karen Nijim 5th: Angie Poncio 6th: Pat Unrau

7th: Jerry Unrau

Small Slam Winners: Ken Gould & Mary Anna Madden.....Congratulations!



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SERVICES for BARB FRIEDL



- Visitation with Barb Friedl's family will be FRIDAY, January 29 at Klein Funeral Home on Champion Forest Dr @ Cypresswood from 5-8 pm.
- Memorial Mass celebrating Barb's life will be held on Saturday, Jan 30, at Christ the Good Shepherd Catholic Church on Klein Church Rd at 2:00 pm *ALL FRIENDS INVITED*
- Lou, Barb's husband, will host a gathering of friends for a casual meal and fellowship immediately following the mass on Saturday at a nearby location; WE WILL EMAIL LOCATION LATER.

PLEASE RSVP by Jan. 24 to Debbie Laich 281.251-5212 or debbielaich@comcast.net if you plan to attend the lunch and fellowship gathering after mass.

New Hospitality Chairperson Needed

Our own Karen Gabriel will be moving soon so we need someone to step into her shoes for next year. If you are interested or have questions about the job, please call Karen or Helen Timpe at 281-373-3693.

Thanks to everyone that contributed food at our last meeting. To volunteer for the February meeting, please contact Karen Gabriel at 281-528-9843. We are always appreciative of your favorite recipes as well as interesting new options.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE for 2010-11 Board

Audie Brooks - ex-officio chairman

Bonnie Reddehase

Margie Rogers

Susan Ivins

Mary Ann Lucas

Susan Hoff

Alternates:

Helen Polefko

Debbie Laich

Please contact any of the members to volunteer or nominate someone for a board position.

SALADO BUS TRIP

Ladies,

Many of you sent Susan, Margie and me notes about the overnight trip to Salado. It was kind of you to take the time to let us know how much you enjoyed the trip. It was so nice for us to get the feedback from you.

Thank you!

Susan, Margie
and Sue

WANT TO ATTEND THE THEATRE OR VISIT MUSEUMS?

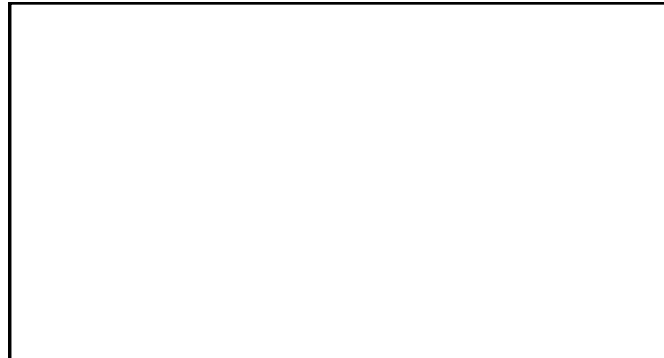


Two new activities groups are being formed - one group will go to museums and one to the theatre. If you might be interested in either, please sign up at the Activities table at the general meeting or contact Rosemary Felix at 281-376-5204.

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Editor's Note

All articles for the **March** newsletter should be submitted to the editor (ahjuno@gmail.com) by the second Tuesday (**February 9th**). Deadline is February 16, 2010.

Please be sure to review your information carefully to insure dates, addresses, phone numbers, etc. are correct.

For address label updates, please contact: Lillian Blakesley

